101 Paracord Projects

There are hundreds of cool paracord projects floating around the prepper and survival community.

We've pulled together 101 of our favorite 550 paracord projects for you to get stuck into. There really is something for everyone in this article.

Whether you're looking for lanyards or belts, survival bracelets or a keychain, heck we even have paracord dog collars and gun slings!

Paracord FAQ

First off let's take a look at some of the frequently asked questions above paracord. Specifically what it is, why it's used and where it comes from.

What Is Paracord?

The main type of paracord used is known as **550 paracord**, meaning it has been tested to hold a load bearing weight of up to 500lbs.

It's internal makeup consists of **5 or 7 strands together with a nylon outer**, this is what gives it its strength and durability.
It’s typical use is for the suspension lines of parachutes. However today it is also used as an all purpose provision in many prepper and survivalist packs.

**Different Types of Paracord**

When buying cord for your projects, you should be aware of what you are looking for to **make sure you buy the right stuff.**

Since the paracord boom, there are many cheaper versions from China that have flooded the market. They are of lesser quality and often have not had their load strain tested adequately.

Therefore they **could break under tension** and when you need it most. To avoid making these mistakes, here’s some handy tips you can use to shop by:

**Rule 1** – Make sure it has at least 7 strands, some even have 8. The 5 strand stuff is generally lower quality and obviously not as strong.

**Rule 2** – Where is it coming from? I’m all about buying "Made in the US" products, the reality is however that most of our goods come from China due to the labour rates. Check the seller and look at their feedback if using auction sites or Amazon.

**Rule 3** – Do they offer entire spools? If they only offer short lengths and you cannot buy a full spool of 100ft or more, chances are they are a middle man and upping their price by providing shorter lengths from a full spool they purchased wholesale.

If you follow these simple rules you should be just fine and happy with your purchase.

Which brings us onto…
Where to Buy Paracord

There are several options for purchasing the right kind of paracord.

- You can try Ebay – however that’s more of a pot luck option sometimes
- You can go to Amazon – better results and less chance of buying the wrong cordage
- You can use a well know supplier who we’ve personally used.

Here are our recommended suppliers:

Uses for Paracord

Both Military and civilians alike have taken to paracord due to its strength and unlimited uses. For example threading beads into a length of paracord to make a pacer or ranger bead is a great way of counting your paces and navigating in poor visibility.

Some more uses include replacing your watch strap with a paracord watch band, there are numerous paracord bracelet designs, including this one that includes a fire starter.

Then there are the less tactical, more fun project you can do, such as paracord dog toys, seat swings, and phone cases.

Next, we get down to the meaty end of paracord projects. Weapons.

These include monkey fists, kubotan’s, rock slings, and survival bow’s.

First up, let’s take a look at some of the various knot, weaves and braids.

Before You Get Started

Below is a list of items you will need before you get started on your first project. This list is designed to help you prepare and plan beforehand…exactly what preppers do

- Paracord Jig – This is the first thing I suggest you start with, see video below for instructions.
- Scissors – make sure they’re nice and sharp, cloth scissors work great.
- Lighter – this is used to seal the ends of cut paracord to stop it from fraying
- Clips and Buckles – depending on your chosen paracord project, you will need something to hold the finished product together
- Cutting Mat – this is crucial if you want to avoid destroying your furniture or kitchen counter
- Stanley knife – any sharp blade of some sort will do

Making A Paracord Jig

Using a jig for your paracord projects is a really good idea. primarily it will save you a ton of time and if you’re anything like me when it comes to fiddly things I’m all fingers and thumbs.

This video shows you how to make your own paracord jig.

How To Fuse Paracord

Knowing how to fuse paracord ends together will save you a ton of time later on in your projects. This video shows you the best way to do it. Be sure to check out the Permalok Threading Needles further on.
SO lets kick off this 101 Paracord Projects marathon with taking a look at some Knots, Weaves and Braids. Further on we look at:

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Paracord Knots, Weaves, and Braids

There are many different types of knots and weaves used in paracord projects, new designs are being revealed each week by those heavily involved in the hobby of making things using paracord.

The list below offers you some of the more commonly used knots, weaves, and braids:

(these are more for show than practical use!)

1) Centered Stitch Weave

 Difficulty: 5/10

 Time: 1-2 hours

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I really like this stitch design as it’s different to every other survival bracelet you see out there. Now the red cord is obviously not paracord buy you could use a strong dyneema or thin kevlar paracord to give the same effect.

2) Dragons Tongue
Difficulty: 6/10

Time: 1-2 hours

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This one certainly has teeth, in fact I would have named it “Dragon’s Teeth” weave if I had the choice! Using a mixture of 2 different color paracords can give some nice results.

3) Zipper Weave
Difficulty: 4/10

Time: 1-2 hours

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Probably one of the neatest paracord bracelets you will see. This design is tightly woven with a clean fastener/buckle that doesn't take away from the aesthetics. I would recommend you make a paracord jig to make this one.

It actually recommends that you soak your to allow it to shrink which makes measuring the correct length more accurate.

4) Nautical Bracelet
For all you water lovers out there, this design is super easy to make and again looks different to all the other survival bands you can buy.

Here's a nice video and the instructable link above doesn't do a great job of explaining exactly what is going on… plus he guts the paracord by removing the inner strands, rendering the cord useless in a survival situation!

5) **Corkscrew Paracord Survival Bracelet**

This braid also looks exactly as the name suggests. I different way of working with the paracord to achieve a different look and feel. Plus I would say this method would use less paracord.

**Difficulty:** 4/10  
**Time:** 1-2 hours
In 2012, 62% of American households has a pet. In the same year we spent over $50 billion on those pets! Since then those numbers have risen, so there’s a good chance you have a pet AND you understand how expensive they can be.

Making your own products, leashes, collars and toys can save you a ton of time. Plus they can stand up to the toughest of treatments!

Below we have a selection of cool paracord pet projects you can undertake and a couple of hours or less. They are practical and you will learn some great skills along the way.

6) Dog Slip Collar

In the closet I have a bag, it’s my GOOD Bag (Get Out Of Dodge) and I use it for middle of the night emergencies such as a house fire etc.

Hung on the outside is one of the paracord dog slip leashes. I prefer this type of leash to the regular clip leash for a number of reasons, the main one being it’s ease of use and speed to get on the dog.

When you’re in a hurry, you don’t want to be fumbling around with clips and collars.

**Difficulty**: 4/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

7) Dog Toys

Dog’s love to bite and chew, they also love to play, no matter what age. What better way than to treat man’s best friend that to knock him up some paracord dog toys?
Difficulty: 5/10

Time: 2+ hours

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8) Dog Collar

For everyday use, my dog has a collar and clip on leash. However once we get away from main roads etc I take him off the lease and he’s free to roam.

Having one of these quick release collars allows me to take it off and on, without unclipping the leash. Plus its yet another emergency supply of 550 paracord when you need it. It could even double as a slip leash if needed by unraveling.
9) **Dog Harness**

Some dogs walk better on a harness, smaller dogs that can pull and damage their neck are suited to this style of harness. It would be a good idea to add some padding under the leg areas to avoid rubbing too much when they walk.
10) **Halti Dog Collar**

This is my favorite of all the pet projects. This Halti is similar to the one I used when training my Spaniel (who looks exactly like the one in the picture!) to walk on the lead to heel.

**Difficulty**: 4/10  
**Time**: 1.5-2 hours

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**Just For Fun Projects**

Who says paracord projects have to be all about survival and preparedness? What about the practical side of these little DIY exercises?

The skills you can learn and the everyday items you can make when you simply have no other option is vital. Preventing boredom when SHTF will be a vital skill if you have kids (or your just a big kid yourself!)

Check out some of these projects for a mixture of household, cool, and downright practical items.

11) **Paracord Grenade Keychain**

They look cool and pack a nice amount of cordage for when you need it. Sure it won’t help you rappel down a rock face, but it can tie off a wound, replace broken boot laces or but used for lashing.
12) **Paracord Wallet**

I really like this one and it had never occurred to me that you could make a wallet from paracord. I like the use of the 2 colors which really makes the wallet stand out.

Of course you could just use all black cord and make an uber taticool looking wallet.

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**Difficulty:** 2/10

**Time:** 1 hour

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13) **Disposable Lighter Wrap**

A little gimmicky but still has it’s uses. If you’ve ever handled a lighter with cold or wet hands, you know it can be tough. By wrapping it in paracord you add grip and increase the width so it’s no so fiddly anymore.

![Disposable Lighter Wrap](image1)

**Difficulty**: 2/10

**Time**: 1 hour or less

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14) **Keychain with Secret Compartment**

This is a cool little project for your keychain and actually forms a part of my EDC (Every Day Carry) kit.

Rolled up tight, you can stick a couple of notes in there for emergencies and also slide a couple of fishing hooks and weights down the middle for if things really go South.

![Keychain with Secret Compartment](image2)
15) **Laptop Harness**

This is practical for today's office worker and student alike. This paracord laptop harness packs in a lot of cordage and is a good started project as you will learn a few of the skills and knots required for bigger projects.

16) **Paracord Army Men**

Another fun one and something cool to add to your desk are these army figures made from...you guessed it, PARACORD!
17) **Steering Wheel Wrap**

I have my everyday vehicle which is fairly new and great, BUT I love my old truck. It's a beast of a machine and has never let me down. The trouble is it's getting tatty around the edges, ok more than tatty.

This steering wheel wrap will do the job to hide that and add an element of grip back to the wheel.
18) **Crochet Pen Holder**

A practical household item which can sit on your desk out of the way unless needed. I would place this on in the “do this to prevent boredom in a SHTF event” category.

**Difficulty**: 6/10

**Time**: 45-60 minutes

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19) **Paracord Headband**

A great one if you are a woman or have girls yourself. You can use any colors you like and the simple strand through the middle makes it look less military and more feminine.
Difficulty: 4/10

Time: 1-2 hours

Go to Project

20) **Phone Pocket**

I am forever dropping my phone or leaving it on my lap and then standing up for it to fall to the floor. I’ve broken countless phones and now I have a nice sturdy case.

Adding a paracord phone pocket is another level. Heck you could even add this to a Molle setup and have it on your check strap or shoulder straps.
Difficulty: 5/10

Time: 1 hour

Go to Project

21) iPhone Sleeve

Again as above only this time a tight weave is used to create a blanket effect, perfect for your smartphone or even to use as a possibles pouch.

I love the karabina attachment also which means you can hook this to your pants or belt.
Where would any Paracord roundup be without a section on **paracord survival projects**?

These projects are what initially attracted me to paracord, it wasn't long before I understood just how practical some of these items can be. If you’re even in need of cordage, that paracord bracelet or keychain is no longer a fashion accessory, but a survival item.

### 22) Adjustable Survival Bracelet

This is a simple project that is within reach of beginners. It doesn’t require any special buckles or anything…that is because it uses a cobra weave bracelet. You can see the very detailed instruction from IntenseAngler on youtube below.

This is a great project for scouts.

**Difficulty**: 3/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

**Go to Project**

### Survival Bracelet With Fire Starter

Having the ability to make fire in a survival situation can be the difference between life and death. This clever guy has come up with a way to carry that means of fire inside of a paracord survival bracelet

**Difficulty**: 7/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

**Go to Project**
23) **Survival Bracelet With Fire Starter #2**

This one follows on from the above really, to give you a few different ideas so that you can create your own design that works for you and your situation.

I really like the use of the buckle and the firesteel here. Plus he's even added a mini compass!

**Difficulty:** 7/10

**Time:** 1-2 hours

Go to Project

24) **Quick Deploy Parafob**

I have these Parafobs all over my backpacks, mainly on the zippers. The other place is on a few of my Nalgene. Check out the video below from MeZillch’s YouTube channel.

MeZillch states this about his design:

> My design is meant to be a utilitarian supply of EDC cordage, not a permanent keychain ornament, and because it is SUPER fast to both use and then re-store when done, I find it to be a much more convenient way to carry and store paracord, compared to a typical, woven “survival bracelet” which takes a lot more time. Although I carry it mostly for quick, day-to-day tasks, it’s also on hand for emergency/survival situations, and since no time-consuming weaving or unraveling is needed in its construction or deployment, it’s super easy to learn, use, and teach to others, such as onlookers who often seem impressed at how quickly you’ve gone from fob to rope.

**Difficulty:** 1/10

**Time:** Under 10 minutes

Go to Project

25) **Survival Tin Pouch**

Do you have a survival tin (like an Altoids can) to keep survival gear? If not, then you should think about it since they can fit almost anywhere.

Once you do that, then you can make this. Or, if you just want a cool way to store your mints.
26) **Snare trap**

This is a fast setup for a snare trap and will probably take you under 30 minutes to set up. Now, once you get the hang of it, you can set a trap in about 15 minutes.

That speed is important because you will need to set out several of these snare traps. Look for areas that are travel paths for your prey and put the traps there for the greatest chance of success.

**Difficulty**: 3/10  
**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

27) **Survival Fishing Bracelet**

This is probably one of the better videos I have seen. He leans very heavily to the fishing side in his videos, but this is an ideal survival tool when you need to feed yourself out in the wilderness.

**Difficulty**: 7/10  
**Time**: 2+ hours

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28) **Paracord Climbing Harness**

This climbing harness can definitely be used if you are in a pinch...However, it looks to be pretty uncomfortable.

If you need a harness and you have about 15 feet of paracord, then this fits the bill.

**Difficulty**: 8/10  
**Time**: 2+ hours  
**Go to Project**

29) **Survival Fishing Kit Bracelet**

Having equipment that is adaptable for fishing is a great addition to any survival situation. If you don’t have the space to carry the kit outlined here then this is a good compromise. Brought to you by intenseangler and his youtube channel...

This plan calls for 550 cord, 7 strand which you should be familiar with by now. You also need 25 feet of fishing line, weights, and hooks. So technically you don’t have to have the fishing line and can use the inner strands of the paracord, you should have the fishing line if at all possible.

**Difficulty**: 4/10  
**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes  
**Go to Project**

30) **Paracord Sling**

You can use this sling for a rifle and that is what Dale K. does in his explainer video below. It is a tad confusing at first but pretty straight forward once you get started.

**Difficulty**: 5/10  
**Time**: 1-2 hours
31) **Emergency Firestarter Lanyard**

Everyone knows you need fire if you are stranded, lost, or in any kind of survival scenario. Matt C outlines and demonstrates how easy it can be to make a simple lanyard.

**Difficulty**: 3/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

32) **Quick Deploy Bracelet**

This quick deploy bracelet does exactly what it says in the title. It is designed to provide paracord when you need it, with zero cutting, just a few pulls and your done. A Perfect EDC item.

**Difficulty**: 4/10

**Time**: 1 hour

33) **Pocket paracord Dispenser**

This dispenser is a really good idea for both the projects you are building and also for carrying with you or in your go-bag.

Depending on the size of container you choose you can pack a serious amount of cordage into one of these things And, like the quick deploy bracelet above, it provides instant access when you need it most.
Difficulty: 3/10

Time: 15 – 30 minutes

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34) Paracord Duct Tape Keychain

I would hazard a guess and say that you have some kind of duct tape in your bug out bag or even in your EDC? Well why not combine or first two loves? Paracord & Duct Tape to make this awesome little holder/survival item?
Difficulty: 1/10

Time: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

35) Paracord USB Bracelet

This is a step up from the regular survival bracelet and although it uses less cord (you could add more if you wanted), it's very practical.

You should have all of your important documents, contact details and treasures memories stored away on several of these small USB devices. You can then keep it with you at all times by wrapping it in this survival bracelet.
Difficulty: 2/10

Time: 15 – 30 minutes

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36) Paracord Fishing Lure

When I first say this I thought “Doh... why didn’t I think of that?”.

I mean it’s so simple to make, you could just knock them up on the fly when you needed them. In fact i would include some paracord in your survival fishing kit.
37) Compass Bracelet

Another nice use of the survival bracelet, this time going all Rambo and adding a small compass. This one is great for wilderness adventures, I mean I’m not sure you would need this in an urban environment, but your never know.

38) Firesteel Wrap

39) Paracord Koozie

This project uses a can of coke to demonstrate, however you could easily expand on this design and create a taller Koozie to hold your Nalgene bottles or military canteens.

Switch it up to suit your style and needs or just make a couple of fun one for the kids.
**Difficulty**: 6/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

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**40) Double Monkey Fist Bookmark**

The monkey fist, whilst used as a weapon can also double up as a cool bookmark when scaled down in size. If you are thinking of making the larger version for self protection, this would be a good place to start and learn the knots required.
**Difficulty**: 4/10

**Time**: 15 – 45 minutes

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### 41) Hammock in a Nalgene Bottle

I love hammock camping, my first hammock was a simple net setup which was actually very comfortable, despite being very cheap. I have always thought about making my own hammock, and what could be easier than using paracord?

This tutorial looks a the hammock and also the bottle used to hold it. So not only can it carry water, it also holds your sleeping arrangements, combines with some climbing clips and a roll of Duct Tape.

Talk about multi-use items.

**Difficulty**: 7/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours
42) **Paracord iPhone Cable Wrap**

I’m not sure why you would want to do this, but at least one of the PrepperZine Team like this idea! I suppose it's a god way to practice for other larger projects and it does make your cables look uber cool.

**Difficulty:** 3/10

**Time:** 1 hour

43) **Drawstring Bag**

These kinds of bags are great if you are traveling long distances on foot. They allow you to carry any gear you need, however I prefer to add my wet gear to it.

Towels, clothing and my shelter etc. The design allows for plenty of air-flow which will help to dry your kit ready for it’s next use.
**Difficulty:** 6/10

**Time:** 30-45 minutes

Go to Project

44) **Permalok Threading Needles**

Some of the projects you will encounter in this article require some nifty hand work and threading. Well these needles will make that a whole lot easier and they are also super easy to make.
**Difficulty**: 1/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

45) **Paracord Trivets**

Why not bring a bit of color to your dinner table with these paracord trivets? They are a great rainy Sunday project and are good fun to make, so get the kids involved.
Difficulty: 5/10
Time: 1-2 hours

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46) **Hammer Holder**

I am terrible for putting a tool down and forgetting where I put it. Doing any repairs after SHTF will be hard enough without losing your tools.

These little paracord hooks will put an end to that and allow you to always have your tools handy by attaching them to your belt.

Difficulty: 4/10
Time: 1 hour
47) **Pot Holder / Wrap**

Another household project that's also practical. Pot holders made from paracord allow you to pick up pans without using oven gloves or a towel.

**Difficulty**: 3/10  
**Time**: 1 hour

48) **Beer Bottle Holder**

These are great for around the camp fire. This beer bottle holder offers a quick release buckle for when you are really thirsty!
49) **Paracord Cross**

If you are religious, this is a nice addition to your keychain and servers two purposes. It shows your faith and is also practical in an emergency. (use colors to your taste!)
50) **ID Badge lanyard**

If you have a survival/prepper group and have plans to band together when TSHTF then it could be a good idea to have each member carry an ID badge contains vital info.

Name, skills, Blood Type, pass codes etc. These paracord lanyards are just what's needed for those badges. Of course you could use it for everyday office use too!
51) Paracord Camera Strap

Another practical project for an everyday item. This camera strap adds a little more stability to otherwise flimsy straps that come with the camera.
Difficulty: 5/10
Time: 1-2 hours

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Tool and Gear Projects

Now we find ourselves at the section that combines weapons and tools with awesome paracord projects that are downright practical.

There is something in this section for everyone, from gun slings to glasses holders, compression straps to snowshoes! If it's a tool and it can be improved with paracord it's here.

52) Paracord Bull Whip

This project is for a massive whip. It measures over 8 feet long, plus another foot for the cracker at the end.

That said, the bull whip will make Indiana Jones envious. It is not a good project for a beginner since it will take a very long time compared to some of the simpler projects.
If you take this on, take your time. And also let me know in the comments!

**Difficulty**: 8/10

**Time**: 4+ hours depending on your skills.

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53) **Paracord Fast Rope**

A paracord fast rope is a bundle of paracord that unspools very quickly when you need it to but still securely held together when you want it together.

This video goes through the steps of making one. All you need is some paracord and a couple of points to weave between.

**Difficulty**: 8/10

**Time**: 4+ hours depending on your skills.

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54) **Paracord Rifle Sling**

The driver for designing this sling was the price of the paracord straps that are for sale online.

They are a little bit expensive…and you can make one for the cost of about 100 feet (or less) of paracord.

Don’t forget you need some swivels to attach to your rifle.
55) **Backpack Straps**

Considering this is the very first paracord project this guy has done, he did a great job on his alice pack. The straps are thinner and will lighten the load of your pack whilst provide some cordage should you need it.

**Difficulty**: 6/10  
**Time**: 2+ hours  

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56) **Paracord Bottle Net**

This is another great project for a beginner. It is basically a Nalgene Bottle holder and you can us it on anything about that size. I have one for a SIGG Bottle too.

Anyway, this should be a fairly quick paracording session.
**57) Neck Lanyard**

Unlike the lanyard featured in the previous section, this one is made with a break free buckle which means that if you were to get snagged on something or someone was to pull it, it will pop apart and you can break free.

Unlimited uses, I like this one for a neck carry knife.
58) **Sunglasses Lanyard**

I’ve lost count of how many pairs of sunglasses I’ve broken by sitting on them or crushing them in my pocket! This lanyard is designed to keep them around your neck so you never lose or break them.

59) **Bundle Compression Strap & Handle**

This image reminds me of an old army bedroll, when everything you need for a decent night’s sleep in the outdoors is rolled up into a long thing roll.

This paracord compression strap is ideal for such a setup and also has a handle to make carrying easier. I wish they had these back in the day!
Difficulty: 4/10

Time: 1 hour

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60) Paracord Snow Shoes

Depending on where you live, heavy snowfall may be likely for many of you. Even if you’re backpacking and get caught in a snow blizzard, being able to walk any kind of distance over snow will require snow shoes.

Of course you don’t need shop bought pieces of wood like in this tutorial, you could always use tree branches or whatever is to hand. A neat skill to learn to get you out of a tricky situation.
61) **Leatherman Pouch**

The Leatherman tool is one of the most popular pocket tools on the market. There are so many of them that you will need to adjust the size of your pouch to suit, which is as simple as creating a template out of cardboard.

If you follow this tutorial, make sure you include the strap at the back for clipping to your belt or webbing.
**62) Bow Sling**

If you do any kind of bow hunting then you will know carry your bow over a long distance can be tiring…although we won’t admit it.

This paracord wrist sling will help you to carry your bow with ease. It also looks pretty cool too despite the creator using wood stain to dye his leather??

**Difficulty:** 5/10

**Time:** 15 – 30 minutes

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**63) Water Bottle Harness**

A simple yet effective project that can make carrying a water bottle easy.

There is also another use i have thought of for this and that is to use the harness to suspend the bottle under flowing water or a rain catchment system if you are stranded or in need of water fast.
I always carry my small multitool on my car keys, and it does stick out like a sore thumb being stainless steel and shiny.

This little pouch will help to conceal the tool and it also looks really cool!
65) **Paracord Bandoiler**

Why buy a shop bought product when you can make your own? This paracord bandolier will carry your rounds (how many is up to you) for any weapon. It’s super simple to make too.

**Difficulty:** 2/10

**Time:** 15 – 30 minutes

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66) **Knife Handle Wrap**

If you’re into knife making and you have any blanks lying around, this is a great project to practice making your own knife handle wraps.

The reason I love wrapping my tools in paracord is for 2 reasons.

1) It adds extra grip when cutting, swinging and carrying.

2) It is multi use in that I can remove it at anytime to use on another item.
67) Axe Handle Wrap

As above, this time for an axe handle which does look even better than the knife I must say. If you leave some extra cord at the end you can also make a loop to strap the axe to your wrist and also lash it to the outside of your bug out bag.
Difficulty: 3/10

Time: 1 hour

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68) **EDC Pouch**

This is a neat little pouch for your EDC items. Depending on the size you make it you can store all manner of items in here. From fire starting equipment, to a small fishing kit, even a torch and your "get home cash".
69) **Flashlight Wrap**

I've done this project myself on my Mini Maglite and it does look great. It's a simple weave to construct once you get started and there are a number of ways you can finish it off depending on your personal usage,
70) **Nalgene Cap Paracord Fix**

This is a cool paracord trick to ensure you never lose your nalgene bottle cap again. It make it easier to drink out of and quicker to take a drink on the go as you are not fumbling around with a cap in your hands.

**Difficulty**: 4/10

**Time**: 45-60 minutes

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71) **Shotgun Sling**

Personally I would have made this sling in black or camo color but that's just my taste. This looks like a really well made shotgun sling and I can certainly see the benefits of it.

Whilst not very opsec, you can choose you own color based on your environment.
72) **Flashlight Carry Strap**

This is a bit of novelty but can come in handy if you are carrying many items and need a quick grab handle for your torch. When investigating dark places it is easier to carry and rotate with the handle than by just holding the torch with your hand.
Difficulty: 3/10

Time: 1 hour

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73) Quick Release Paracord Holder

If you pack a bundle of paracord in your bug out bag (if not you should be!) then keeping it neat and stopping it getting tangled is important.

This quick release paracord holder/compression strap will do just the job.
74) **Paracord Snow Grips**

In icy conditions you can whip up a set of snow grips with ease by using just paracord. I’ve not tried these out myself but I think I will come this winter as the rubber and metal ones I have are terrible!

![Paracord Snow Grip](image)

75) **Paracord Donut**

This is my preferred method for storing paracord in my pack. It doesn’t snag and it’s easy to store inside of the top pouch reach for when you need it.

I always take it with me when thru-hiking and I also keep a paracord donut in the truck. Simple and effective.

76) **Coiled Lanyard**
This is a very unique paracord lanyard which gives you a good amount of cordage. It involves zero knotting and braiding and can be a nice break away from all of the finger twisting, cutting, snipping, fusing and melting.

**Difficulty:** 4/10

**Time:** <10 minutes

Go to Project

**77) Cargo Zipline**

I like this project for a number of reasons. The main one being if you are protecting a building or area and your firing position is rooftop based, then getting supplies etc can prove difficult.

Using the paracord pulley system, you can transport goods back and forth without ever being seen.

**Difficulty:** 6/10

**Time:** 60 minutes

Go to Project

**78) Compression Sack**

Similar to the bedroll compression strap earlier, this time for the modern sleeping bag. Stuff sacks are great, but what if you lose it?

What if you have a lot of gear and you back busts leaving you with nothing? Well you could pile it all into the bottom of your sleeping bag, zip it up and use this compression strap to tie it all together and sling it onto your back.
Difficulty: 2/10

Time: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

79) Ladder With Wooden Rungs

This is something you could either make on the fly in the woods or at home and use for emergency evacuation such as a fire ladder from the 1st floor etc.
80) **Paracord Rope Ladder**

This is a better ladder to make if you have enough paracord. It can be used for lots of things, even a kids treehouse.

It is so strong you will never have to worry about it breaking.
Weapon Projects

81) **Paracord Slingshot**

This is a great little weapon if you can follow the video. It's difficult in parts, however if you watch the video a few times you will get the hang of it.

It's not really that difficult, just the video makes it a bit tricky to follow along.

**Difficulty**: 7/10

**Time**: A Few Hours+

Go to Project

82) **Self Defense Key Fob**

This keyfob combines a small monkey fist which can be used as a self defense weapon should you need it. They are fairly unobtrusive and pack a lot of cord should you need it for something other than fending off an attacker.
Difficulty: 6/10
Time: 1-2 hours

Go to Project

83) Giant Monkey Fist

Now, this is where it gets interesting... A GIANT Monkey Fist weapon.

By using a heave object in the fist (like a pool ball) you can create a very destructive weapon from just a few lengths of paracord.
84) **Paracord Rock Sling**

Another attack/defensive weapon comes in the form of this paracord rock sling. Keeping distance between yourself and your enemies is crucial and without a gun, this is the next best thing.

You can even hunt with this, however you will need some practice!

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85) **Hangmans Noose Knot**

A little sombre I know, but you never do quite know when you will need such a device.

You’ve all seen the post apocalyptic movies where the new towns that have forms hang thieves and murderers buy a noose on entrance to the town as a warning to others?

Well, I guess that’s one way you could use it!

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86) **Paracord Kubotan With Screw**

These Kubotan weapons are pretty deadly when used right. You can conceal them easily and whip them out when
A great little project for an EDC weapon that is not a knife.

**Difficulty**: 7/10

**Time**: 1 hour

Go to Project

87) **Paracord Nunchakus**

Fancy yourself as a bit of a Bruce Lee? You should make yourself these paracord nunchakus! Let's see the bad guys try and take you on when you start wielding these around in close quarters.

**Difficulty**: 5/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

Go to Project

88) **Paracord Blow Darts**

A blow dart is a deadly and silent weapon that has been used by Ninja's for centuries (yes Ninjas are real!). If stealth is required you can't go far wrong with these. They can be designed to stun, kill or even maim by using poison on the tips etc.
Difficulty: 1/10

Time: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

Clothing Projects

89) Paracord Watch Strap

I made one of these a few years back and it’s still going strong to this day. It’s been through snow and ice, swimming in the sea and the extreme heat of Morocco.

Seriously, make one, you won’t regret it.
90) **Paracord Belt**

A project I've been tempted by for a while. A quick release paracord belt that holds so much cordage has practically unlimited uses for it.
**Time**: 1-2 hours

**Go to Project**

**91) Paracord Belt With Karabina**

Here is another option for the paracord belt – this time using a Karabina as a buckle which further extends its use. This one looks a little neater than the previous and the weave is closer meaning you can pack in yet more paracord.

![Paracord Belt With Karabina](image)

**Difficulty**: 7/10

**Time**: 1-2 hours

**Go to Project**

**92) Zippo Lighter Pouch**

I carry a lighter with me at all times and I suggest you do too. I don’t smoke but it’s always there when I need it. Even walking home late one night and getting stopped by a group who asked for a light. They were drunk and a little in my face, but I pulled it out, lit their cigarette and walked off.

I have no idea of anything would have happened had I said “No sorry”, but I’m glad I didn’t have to find out.
93) Zipper Pulls

I always replace my zipper pulls with paracord ones. They never look this fancy and this is certainly a step up from just tying and melting the ends together like I do.

If you prefer the polished look, these are for you!
Time: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

94) Wrist lanyard

This wrist lanyard can be used for any number of tools and is designed to keep you from losing a potentially life-saving device.

You can make one and use it on whichever tool you have at the time. Priceless.

Difficulty: 6/10

Time: 1 hours

Go to Project

95) Paracord Belt Clip

Belt clips are good for all of the other tools you need but are not using right now. They aid in carrying, plus, if you are to make the paracord belt from above, you will have a much stronger attachment point.
96) **Prussik Belt**

Prussik knots are used in both climbing and tarp/hammock camping. They are extremely strong and yet easy to manoeuvre when needed.

The trick with this knot is that the cord actually tightens down on itself as a load is placed on it. There is nowhere for it to go and you can then release the load and slide it back to loosen.
**Difficulty**: 5/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

97) **Boonie Hat Wrap**

**Difficulty**: 4/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

98) **Neckerchief Slide**

If you carry and Neckerchief then this cool little slide is for you. Of course, it also doubles as emergency cordage when you need it!

Obviously, this is a good project for scouts!
Go to Project

99) **Paracord Flip Flops**

Emergency footwear at it’s finest. I’m not a huge fan on Flip Flops, but I can see they merits in hot weather and if you have no shoes for whatever reason.

**Difficulty**: 3/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

100) **Paracord Bootlaces**

**Difficulty**: 3/10

**Time**: 15 – 30 minutes

Go to Project

101) **10 Clothing Related Uses For paracord**

We leave you with this video on 10 different clothing uses for paracord. This video is both funny and informative and you will come away with some great ideas.

**Difficulty**: Mixed

**Time**: How Long is a piece of paracord?
Summary

So there you have it, 101 cool paracord projects, split into 10 sections, include a paracord FAQ and what you need before you get started.

I hope you enjoyed this article and that you will attempt your own chosen project soon.

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